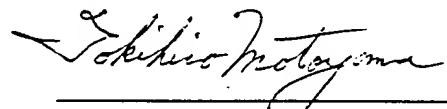




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I, Tokihiro MOTOYAMA, c/o ITOH & CO. located at Toranomon Denki Bldg., 8-1, Toranomon 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN, hereby certify that I am the translator of the accompanying Certificate of part of company history registered in Japan on April 1, 1999 and certify that the following is a true and correct translation to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Tokihiro MOTOYAMA

Dated this second day of September, 1999

Certificate of Part of Company History



3-12, Nishi-Shimbashi 3-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Nippon Mitsubishi Oil Corporation

Registered Company Number 022741

Commercial Name	Nippon Oil Co., Ltd.
Name	Nippon Mitsubishi Oil Corporation
	Registered April 1, 1999
Main Office	3-12, Nishi-Shimbashi 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo
Method of making public notice	It will be entered in the Nihon Keizai Shimbun, published in Tokyo.
Date of Company Formation	May 10, 1888
Company Merger	Mitsubishi Oil Co., Ltd. of 2-6, Toranomon 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo has been merged.
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日石三菱株式会社

会社法人等番号 022741

商 号	日本石油株式会社
	日石三菱株式会社
	平成11年 4月 1日登記
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